



Saint John Paul II Parish

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Dear People of St. John Paul II Parish,

There has been much planning and work underway here at our parish to ensure we meet the facility and ministry needs of our growing Catholic family. We recently completed a master site plan to assess current and future needs to maximize the coordination and utilization of our facilities and property.

As a result, we completed our parking lot and are in the process of expanding our parish lounge for much needed faith formation, ministry and program space. The next step in the process is our new church. With the continual growth of our parish, we must begin thinking about the design of our new church. We would like to get your input during the initial planning phase.

There will be an important meeting with the architect on Friday, June 12, to begin discussing our ideas for the design of our new church. The Solemnity of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is also on June 12, so we will begin with Mass from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. followed by a reception and meeting with the architect from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. Light food and refreshments will be provided. How fitting it is that we begin this initial planning phase on this great feast of the Church when we reflect on the love of God symbolized in Jesus' heart. May all of our planning be guided by God's Spirit and be brought to perfection by God's mercy!

This is a very important opportunity to provide your input in the design direction of our church. Although there will be future opportunities for input, this first meeting is the most important. Please mark your calendars and plan on joining fellow parishioners on June 12.

What we are doing as a new and growing parish is "history in the making" that will touch the lives of so many people. We may never know the names and faces of those who follow us. But many will be graced, blessed and guided in the Catholic faith by our efforts, by our vision and by our witness of faith. Together we move faithfully forward with the confidence and knowledge that God walks with us.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Tom Witters, Chairperson of the Finance Council Bonnie Hyder, Chairperson of the Pastoral Council

Brian McGahan, Chairperson of Building and Grounds

Rev. Lam T. Le, Pastor

We are starting the next step of our journey in order to welcome people into a relationship with Jesus. Together we will continue to do as Jesus instructed us – to worship, instruct and support each other.

United in Christ through the Sacrament of the Eucharist, the welcoming parish of St. John Paul II is to become His hands and feet: His hands by reaching out and serving one another and His feet by journeying together on the narrow path of our faith that leads us closer to Christ.